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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Nancy Danhof, NASBE Delegate

SUBJECT: Discussion Regarding NASBE 2010 Board of Directors  
Nominations

State Boards of Education have been asked by the National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) to submit nominations for 2010 President-elect, Secretary-Treasurer and Area Directors.

The communication from NASBE is attached (Exhibit A). Please note that nominations for the Board of Directors are due June 5.

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# MEMO

TO: NASBE State Board, Chairs, Members, and Executive Directors  
FROM: Marsha McMullin, Director of Special Projects  
RE: **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS – NASBE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
DATE: March 16, 2009

## NOMINATIONS FOR 2010 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

By this email, we are asking for your state's nominations for 2010 President-elect, Secretary-Treasurer and Area Directors.

As you may recall, several important changes were made last year to the nominations and elections process. To summarize, these changes include:

- The election for President-elect, Secretary-Treasurer, and Area Directors will take place at the **Annual Business Meeting** during the Annual Conference in October. States unable to send a delegate to the annual business meeting may vote by mail ballot, to be received at the Association headquarters by September 30<sup>th</sup> after notifying the Senior Area Director from the Region.
- Additional nominations must be received at the Association headquarters by *August 31* by electronic mail, facsimile, or written report. If a candidate withdraws between the close of nominations and the annual business meeting, leaving either one or no candidate for a position, nominations may be made from the floor at the annual business meeting.
- The Nominations Committee will consist of seven members: one from each region, elected at the Area Meetings during the Annual Conference; two at-large members elected during the Annual Business Meeting; and the Immediate Past President, who votes only in case of a tie. The committee will meet during the June Board and Committee meetings.

In order to adequately prepare for the Nominations Committee meeting, it would be appreciated that nominations for the following offices be received at NASBE headquarters no later than June 5 (they must be received by close of business on June 9). According to NASBE Bylaws, to be eligible to serve as an Officer or Area Director, an individual shall be a member of a dues-paying state board of education, except that any person actually assuming the office of President shall be eligible to complete normal terms as President and Immediate Past President even though that person's state board term may have expired. In addition, the Secretary-Treasurer shall be eligible to complete the normal term of the office even though that person's state board term may have expired as long as the Secretary-Treasurer maintains membership in the Association in one of the Non-Voting Membership categories defined in Article III (B) of the Bylaws. All candidates must submit a letter of support from their state board of education to be eligible to run for office and may not be in the final year of a term of service on their state

board of education. In addition, to be eligible to be elected as President-elect, the candidate shall have prior NASBE Board of Director service or have served as the chairperson of a study group or the Governmental Affairs Committee.

***President-elect*** - The President-elect shall be nominated and voted on by the general membership at the Annual Business meeting during the Annual Conference. As a part of the Bylaws changes adopted at the 2002 Annual Business Meeting, the President-elect shall become President following the term as President-elect; and there is no Vice President position.

***Secretary-Treasurer*** – The Secretary Treasurer shall be nominated from and voted upon by the general membership. The election will take place at the annual business meeting. Candidates will be elected by a majority vote of all voting member states. The Secretary-Treasurer shall serve for two years.

***Area Director*** - The Area Directors shall be elected by a majority vote of the voting states of a particular area during the Annual Business Meeting at the Annual Conference. Area Directors shall serve for two years with staggered terms and may hold the same office for two consecutive terms only).

Nominations should include (1) letter of support from state board of education, (2) biographical information on the candidate, and (3) a brief statement asserting the candidate's interest in serving (to include any relevant details about beliefs, experience, and issues of importance). This information can be submitted on the form (which is being sent to your state board chairman and executive director) or as an attachment.

The Nominations Committee urges you to consider the following criteria in selecting your nominees for the listed offices.

***Other Criteria for office:***

- \* Ability to attend quarterly meetings of the Board (January, March, June and October 2010);
- \* Ability to attend the 2010 Annual Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah;
- \* NASBE Bylaws indicate that the Nominations Committee shall be sensitive to the need for a wide and well-balanced geographical distribution for the officers of this Association.

You are free to nominate any NASBE member for the offices listed. In this regard, we hope that you will put NASBE nominations on your upcoming board agenda.

The Nominations Committee will meet on June 12, 2009 to interview candidates for the positions of President-elect, Secretary-Treasurer and Area Directors. Please send your nominations to: Karabelle Pizzigati, c/o Nominations Committee, NASBE, 2121 Crystal Drive,

Suite 350, Arlington, VA 22202 by June 5, 2009. If you prefer, you can fax the form to NASBE at 703/836-2313, attention: Marsha McMullin; or email to me at [marsham@nasbe.org](mailto:marsham@nasbe.org). Attached for your information is a roster of current officers and directors.

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**Marsha E. McMullin**  
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***PLEASE NOTE NEW ADDRESS***



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